

The 3-day national competition is modeled after hearings in the Congress. The hearings consist of oral presentations by high school students before a panel of adult judges on constitutional topics. The students' testimony is followed by a period of questioning by the judges who probe their depth of understanding and ability to apply their constitutional knowledge.

Administered by the Center for Civic Education, the We the People . . . program has provided curricular materials at upper elementary, middle, and high school levels for more than 26.5 million students nationwide. The program provides students with a working knowledge of our Constitution, Bill of Rights, and the principles of democratic government. Members of Congress and their staff enhance the program by discussing current constitutional issues with students and teachers and by participating in other educational activities.

It is inspiring to see these young people advocate the fundamental ideals of principles of our Government in the aftermath of the tragedy on September 11. These are ideas that identify us as a people and bind us together as a nation. It is important for our next generation to understand these values and principles which we hold as standards in our endeavor to preserve and realize the promise of our constitutional democracy.

I would once again like to congratulate Dennis Johnson and the fine students from Green River High School.●

TRIBUTE TO WARD F. CORRELL

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to one of Kentucky's leading citizens, Mr. Ward F. Correll. On the 27th day of this month, Mr. Correll will be presented with the 2002 Kentuckian Award by the A.B. "Happy" Chandler Foundation for his commitment to family, God, country, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Fellow recipients of this award include such greats as University of Kentucky basketball announcer Cawood Ledford and country music legend Loretta Lynn.

Born to a poverty-stricken family in Wayne County, KY, Ward Correll grew up as 1 of 13 children. As you can surely imagine, basic living necessities were quite scarce at times. After graduating from high school, Ward decided to hitchhike, with only \$2.67 in his pockets, to Detroit, where he would begin what would become a memorable journey.

While living in Detroit, Ward Correll mowed lawns to make ends meet until he could find a more permanent and stable job opportunity. But before this could happen, our Nation went to war in Korea. Throughout the war, Ward served his country in the U.S. Army as part of an intelligence unit. After his time in the service came to an end, Ward packed up his bags and headed back to his old Kentucky home. Once

back in Kentucky, he met his future bride-to-be and soulmate, Regina Tarter.

After discovering the woman of his dreams, Ward decided it was time to begin his life as a businessman. Ward let the words from the prayer by GEN Douglas MacArthur be his compass—"Lord, give me a son who will not let his wishbone take the place of his backbone." With a lot of hard work, a little luck, and the occasional helping hand, Ward Correll turned that \$2.67 into a business empire.

Today, his many business enterprises include Cumberland Shell Oil, Inc. and Trade and Wind and Trade Way shopping centers in Somerset and Monticello. He is one of the top 10 jobbers in the Nation for Shell Oil. Furthermore, he is a major stockholder in First Southern National Banks, where his son Jesse is the CEO. You often hear people talk about living the American dream. Ward Correll skipped the talking part and moved straight to the living.

Besides his unwavering dedication to country and capitalism, Ward Correll has exemplified what it means to be a good Christian. He tithed the first penny he ever made as a child and has continued this practice even to this very day. He firmly believes God has blessed him financially and that he has a moral obligation to those less fortunate individuals whose pockets are as shallow as his once were. Throughout his lifetime, Ward Correll has assisted the needy, providing them with clothes, shoes, dishes and flatware—items that he and his family once struggled to possess.

Mr. President, I ask now that my fellow colleagues join me in praising Mr. Ward F. Correll for all that he has accomplished with his life. He is a devoted father and husband, a veteran and patriot, and a truly righteous man. He has worked tirelessly to make Kentucky and the United States of America a better place for us all to live. He is a tribute to the American spirit.

Finally, I would like to share with you, Mr. President, and my fellow Senators Mr. Correll's recipe for success. "Apply the wisdom of what wise people have taught you during childhood to all you do; seek the advice of wise people, especially those who have experienced failure and picked themselves up to become successful again; always do more than what you are paid to do; empower yourself to be positive and say every day 'I feel happy, healthy and terrific and I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'"●

IN MEMORY OF COLONEL RUBY BRADLEY, ARMY NURSE

● Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, on July 2, 2002, a modern American hero was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Her name is Ruby Bradley, and she is the most decorated woman ever to serve in the U.S. military.

Ruby was an Army nurse stationed in Manila. On September 23, 1943, she was

captured by the Japanese Army. During her 3-year imprisonment, she was known as a member of the Angels in Fatigues. This small group of nurses took it upon themselves to care for those within the camp. Ruby assisted in 230 operations and delivered 13 babies while dropping to a weight of just over 80 pounds. She starved herself so the imprisoned children could eat, trusting that she would be able to cling to her own life.

On February 3, 1945, her faith paid off in the form of what she described as "the best Saturday night performance I'll ever see in my life." American troops freed those who were being held captive, and Ruby returned to her home in Spencer, WV, to a hero's parade. But Ruby's military journey was not over.

Her sacrifice, generosity, and compassion took her to the Korean war, where she again found herself in the midst of grave danger. The Army sent a plane to retrieve Ruby, but she was the last person to board that plane. After running from her ambulance just before it was blown up by enemy bombs, she loaded the sick and wounded. Once again, she returned to Spencer as the honoree of a hero's parade.

In 1963, Ruby retired from the Army, having earned 34 medals and citations, including the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star, in honor of her tenacious devotion to this Nation and all that we stand for.

I had the privilege of visiting Ruby in her home 3 years ago and presented her with replacement medals that had been lost over the years. In this short time, it was obvious to me what an inspiration she was to her family and community, and it was obvious why she was honored with the rank of colonel by the Army. Ruby Bradley was a woman whose soul knew no limits. Her heart had room for everyone, and she was not reluctant to assist those around her, no matter their age, race, or condition.

Ruby once said, "I just want to be remembered as an Army nurse." Her family can rest assured that she will be remembered as an Army nurse, one of the best this Nation has seen and will ever see. Her courage in the midst of conflict serves as a shining example to those around her and will continue to be a beacon for bravery in the future for West Virginia and for America.●

LETTER DECLARING THE TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF POWER TO THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES—PM 103

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on June 29, 2002, during the adjournment of the Senate, received the following message from the President of the United States, together with accompanying papers; which was ordered to lie on the table:

Pursuant to the provisions of the 25th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the President of the